Amendments to the Abstract

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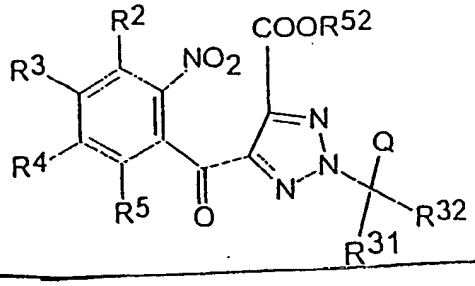
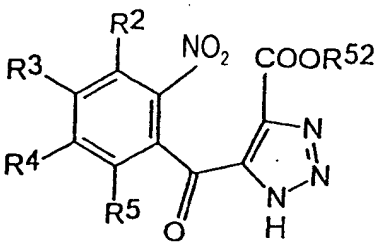
ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A process for preparing a compound represented by formula (IIa')



(II a')

wherein Q represents group (i) as defined in the specification and R^2 to R^5, R^{31}, R^{32}, and R^{52} are as defined in the specification, by (1) reacting a compound represented by formula (V)

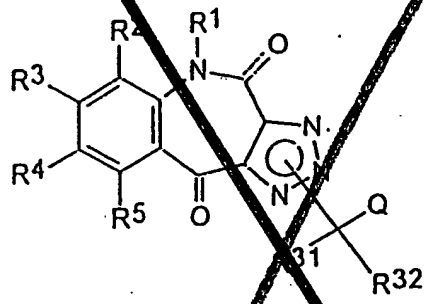


(V)

wherein R^2 to R^5 and R^{52} are as defined in the specification, with a compound represented by $R^{31}R^{32}C=O$ wherein R^{31} and R^{32} are as defined in the specification; (2) reacting the compound prepared in (1) with a compound represented by R^{71}-C(=O)-R^{72} wherein R^{71} and R^{72} each independently represent a chlorine atom, 4-nitrophenyl, or 1-imidazolyl; and (3) reacting the compound prepared in (2) with a compound represented by $R^{33}OH$ wherein R^{33} is as defined in the specification.

ABSTRACT

Tricyclic triazolobenzazepine derivatives in the form of a prodrug are provided. The compounds according to the present invention are those represented by formula (I) and pharmacologically acceptable salts and solvates thereof. The compounds are useful as antiallergic agents and exhibit excellent bioavailability.

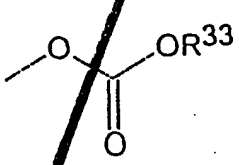


(I)

wherein R^1 represents hydrogen, OH, alkyl or phenyl alkyl,

R^2, R^3, R^4, and R^5 represent hydrogen, halogen, optionally protected hydroxyl, formyl, optionally substituted alkyl, alkenyl, alkoxy or the like, and

Q represents a group selected from the following groups (i) to (iv), halogen, or alkoxy:



(i)

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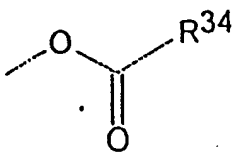

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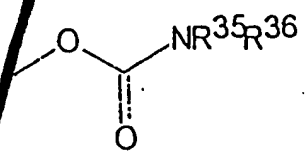

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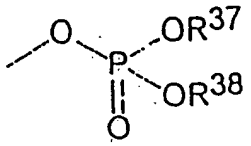

(iv).

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